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## IMPORT TRADE BY COUNTRY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the increase in United States general imports from \$1,155.0 million in July to \$1,228.1 million in August reflected higher levels of imports from all areas as follows: Canada, from \$232.9 to \$260.6 million; Latin American Republics, from \$273.4 to \$291.0 million; Western Europe, from \$299.6 to \$300.5 million; and "all other countries",<sup>1</sup> from \$349.0 to \$376.0 million.

The Bureau stated that imports from sterling area countries increased from \$189.6 million in July to \$200.6 million in August, while those from O.E.E.C. countries decreased slightly from \$293.8 to \$292.6 million. Increases were reported in imports from all continents except Africa, Australia and Oceania, and Europe.

Imports from South America rose from \$185.1 million in July to \$223.1 million in August largely as a result of increases in imports from the individual countries of this continent as follows: Chile, from \$13.5 to \$24.6 million; Brazil, from \$49.2 to \$57.5 million; Venezuela, from \$68.4 to \$76.0 million; Peru,

<sup>1</sup>Includes data on imports from the dependencies of Western Europe.

from \$15.3 to \$19.5 million; Colombia, from \$18.0 to \$22.1 million; and Ecuador, from \$5.4 to \$8.5 million. The increase in imports from Asia from \$228.4 to \$262.0 million reflected higher levels of imports from Japan, from \$96.4 to \$109.9 million; Republic of Indonesia, from \$14.3 to \$22.6 million; Federation of Malaya, from \$12.6 to \$19.1 million; and Kuwait, from \$7.5 to \$12.5 million. Imports from North America rose from \$357.1 to \$367.8 million largely as a result of increases in imports from Canada, from \$232.9 to \$260.6 million; Mexico, from \$24.3 to \$33.1 million; and the Dominican Republic from \$5.4 to \$9.6 million. However, a substantial decrease was noted in imports from Cuba, from \$46.6 to \$11.7 million.

Imports from Africa decreased from \$44.5 million in July to \$40.0 million in August mainly due to lower levels of imports from the United Arab Republic (Egypt Region), from \$6.0 to \$1.7 million, and Ghana from \$6.4 to \$2.9 million. The decline in imports from Australia and Oceania, from \$31.7 to \$28.2 million, reflected small decreases in imports from most of the individual countries of this continent. Imports from Europe decreased slightly from \$308.3 to \$307.0 million largely as a result of declines in imports from West Germany, from \$68.2 to \$63.6 million; Belgium and Luxembourg, from \$27.3 to \$23.3 million; and Sweden, from \$12.9 to \$9.1 million. These decreases were partly offset by a notable increase in imports from Italy, from \$26.6 to \$34.4 million.

### EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

**COVERAGE:** Import statistics include merchandise imported by government agencies as well as by private importers, but exclude American goods returned by the United States armed forces for their own use. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions is not included in this report but the import trade of Puerto Rico with foreign countries is included as a part of the United States import trade. Merchandise shipped in transit through the United States between foreign countries is not included in import statistics.

**COUNTRY DEFINITION:** Though the country which should be reported in the statistics as the country of origin is defined as the country where the merchandise was grown, mined or manufactured, the country actually shown in the statistics may in an number of cases represent some other country, such as the country of purchase, lading or the country in which mixed lots of various origin are consolidated. It follows, therefore, that imports from such merchanting or transshipment countries are likely to be overstated and imports from other countries correspondingly understated.

**VALUATION:** Import values are, in general, based on market price or selling price, and are, in general, f.o.b. the exporting country. They exclude United States import duties. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

**EFFECT OF SAMPLING:** Formal entry shipments valued less than \$100 and informal entry shipments valued \$250 or less (less than one percent of total import value) are estimated by sampling. The estimated values are included in the area, continent, and country totals in the table. The variability in the import figures due to sampling is no more than three percent or less than \$50,000. For further information regarding the sampling procedures, see the "Explanation of the Sampling Procedure for Estimating Low Valued Imports" in the foreword of Report No. FT 110. The largest variation from rounding of figures is \$50,000.

Further information regarding coverage, country definition, valuation, etc., is contained in the "General Explanation" in foreword of Report No. FT 110. For complete statement, see the foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

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## UNITED STATES GENERAL IMPORTS, BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: AUGUST 1960 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(In millions of dollars. N.e.c. indicates not elsewhere classified. General imports are a total of imports for immediate consumption plus entries into bonded warehouses. Figures for 1960 are as originally issued and have not been revised to include published corrections. Figures for 1959 include revisions published with the December 1959 reports, or earlier, but do not include revisions published during 1960. See "Explanation of Statistics" for information on sampling procedures and effect thereof on the data shown.)

Continent and country <sup>1</sup>	August 1960	July 1960	August 1959	Monthly average 1959
Total trade.....	1,228.1	1,155.0	1,189.1	1,267.7
Western Europe.....	300.5	299.6	335.1	376.9
Canada.....	260.6	232.9	249.2	253.4
Latin American Republics.....	291.0	273.4	280.2	301.2
All other countries <sup>2</sup> .....	376.0	349.0	324.5	336.1
O.E.E.C. countries.....	292.6	293.8	322.1	363.3
Sterling area countries.....	200.6	189.6	209.0	223.8
North America.....	367.8	357.1	352.7	386.3
Greenland.....	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
Canada (including Newfoundland and Labrador).....	260.6	232.9	249.2	253.4
Miquelon and St. Pierre Islands.....	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)
Mexico <sup>a</sup> .....	33.1	24.3	24.8	36.4
Guatemala <sup>a</sup> .....	2.4	1.8	1.5	5.4
British Honduras <sup>b</sup> .....	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
El Salvador <sup>a</sup> .....	1.7	1.5	1.0	3.1
Honduras <sup>a</sup> .....	3.3	4.5	1.1	2.1
Nicaragua <sup>a</sup> .....	1.2	1.4	0.8	1.3
Costa Rica <sup>a</sup> .....	4.1	3.1	2.2	2.7
Republic of Panama <sup>a</sup> .....	1.9	1.6	1.7	2.1
Canal Zone.....	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.1
Bermuda <sup>b</sup> .....	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Bahamas <sup>b</sup> .....	0.5	0.3	0.9	1.0
Cuba <sup>a</sup> .....	11.7	46.6	43.6	39.5
Jamaica <sup>b</sup> .....	5.0	3.3	3.6	3.9
Haiti <sup>a</sup> .....	2.0	1.7	0.6	1.4
Dominican Republic <sup>a</sup> .....	9.6	5.4	4.7	6.3
Leeward and Windward Islands <sup>b</sup> .....	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2
Barbados <sup>b</sup> .....	(*)	0.1	(*)	0.1
Trinidad and Tobago <sup>b</sup> .....	4.8	2.9	3.2	3.7
Netherlands Antilles.....	24.7	23.7	13.3	23.3
French West Indies.....	(*)	0.1	(*)	(*)
South America.....	223.1	185.1	201.1	203.8
Colombia <sup>a</sup> .....	22.1	18.0	27.3	28.3
Venezuela <sup>a</sup> .....	76.0	68.4	60.6	74.2
British Guiana <sup>b</sup> .....	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.4
Surinam.....	2.5	3.0	2.4	2.3
French Guiana.....	0.1	...	...	0.1
Ecuador <sup>a</sup> .....	8.5	5.4	6.1	5.0
Peru <sup>a</sup> .....	19.5	15.3	7.7	9.9
Bolivia <sup>a</sup> .....	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.6
Chile <sup>a</sup> .....	26.6	13.5	14.3	17.7
Brazil <sup>a</sup> .....	57.5	49.2	70.5	52.4
Paraguay <sup>a</sup> .....	0.4	1.0	0.7	0.7
Uruguay <sup>a</sup> .....	1.4	1.6	0.7	1.5
Argentina <sup>a</sup> .....	9.1	8.3	9.7	10.5
Falkland Islands <sup>b</sup> .....	...	...	...	...
Europe.....	307.0	308.3	341.5	384.0
Iceland <sup>b, c, d</sup> .....	1.0	0.7	0.6	1.0
Sweden <sup>c, d</sup> .....	9.1	12.9	10.5	15.4
Norway <sup>c, d</sup> .....	5.2	4.1	4.8	8.3
Denmark <sup>c, d</sup> .....	6.7	8.3	7.0	8.7

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## UNITED STATES GENERAL IMPORTS, BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: AUGUST 1960 AND SELECTED PERIODS--Continued

Continent and country <sup>1</sup>	August 1960	July 1960	August 1959	Monthly average 1959
Europe--Continued				
United Kingdom <sup>b,c,d</sup>	69.1	66.6	85.6	94.8
Ireland (Eire) <sup>b,c,d</sup>	2.8	1.7	3.4	2.2
Netherlands <sup>c,d</sup>	16.1	15.3	18.1	18.1
Belgium and Luxembourg <sup>c,d</sup>	23.3	27.3	28.4	34.7
France <sup>c,d</sup>	29.1	30.7	37.8	38.5
West Germany <sup>c,d</sup>	63.6	68.2	66.7	76.5
East Germany	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3
Austria <sup>c,d</sup>	4.6	3.2	4.2	4.7
Czechoslovakia	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0
Hungary	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Switzerland <sup>c,d</sup>	14.6	16.1	14.8	16.3
Finland <sup>c</sup>	3.9	3.4	3.3	4.1
Estonia	...	...	...	(*)
Latvia	...	...	...	(*)
Lithuania	...	...	...	...
Poland and Danzig	2.8	4.4	2.2	2.7
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1.8	2.2	2.3	2.4
Azores	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Spain <sup>c,d</sup>	6.1	6.4	6.1	6.5
Portugal <sup>c,d</sup>	3.3	2.9	2.1	2.2
Gibraltar <sup>b</sup>	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)
Malta, Gozo, and Cyprus <sup>b</sup>	0.1	(*)	0.1	0.2
Italy <sup>c,d</sup>	34.4	26.6	34.5	32.3
Free Territory of Trieste <sup>c,d</sup>	...	(*)	(*)	(*)
Yugoslavia <sup>c</sup>	4.0	2.4	3.7	3.1
Albania	...	(*)	(*)	(*)
Greece <sup>c,d</sup>	1.3	1.0	0.8	2.8
Rumania	0.1	0.4	(*)	0.1
Bulgaria	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1
Turkey <sup>c,d</sup>	2.2	1.7	2.6	6.9
Asia	262.0	228.4	220.4	216.3
United Arab Republic (Syria Region)	0.4	0.4	1.1	0.8
Lebanon	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
Iraq (Mesopotamia)	1.2	1.3	2.5	2.9
Iran (Persia)	4.3	4.0	4.3	4.2
Israel	2.4	2.0	2.4	2.3
Palestine	...	...	...	(*)
Jordan <sup>b</sup>	(*)	(*)	...	(*)
Kuwait <sup>b</sup>	12.5	7.5	11.9	13.2
Saudi Arabia	7.1	5.3	4.0	4.2
Arabia Peninsula States, n.e.c.	1.0	(*)	0.1	0.2
Aden <sup>b</sup>	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)
State of Bahrain <sup>b</sup>	(*)	0.2	(*)	0.1
Afghanistan	0.2	0.1	0.1	1.4
India <sup>b</sup>	17.6	22.6	17.3	17.3
Pakistan <sup>b</sup>	2.1	2.6	2.3	2.9
Nepal	(*)	...	(*)	(*)
Ceylon <sup>b</sup>	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.9
Burma <sup>b</sup>	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Thailand (Siam)	5.7	3.8	6.0	7.5
Viet-Nam	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.9
Laos	...	...	(*)	(*)
Cambodia	0.6	0.3	1.1	1.1
Federation of Malaya <sup>b</sup>	19.1	12.6	14.3	13.3
Colony of Singapore; British Borneo <sup>b</sup>	1.2	0.9	2.5	2.4
Republic of Indonesia	22.6	14.3	14.0	15.9
Republic of the Philippines	35.2	36.9	34.4	26.0
Macao (Macau)	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)
Portuguese Asia, n.e.c.	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)
Southern and Southeastern Asia, n.e.c.	(*)	...	...	(*)
China (including Manchuria)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Outer Mongolia	(*)	0.1	0.2	0.6

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Continent and country <sup>1</sup>	August 1960	July 1960	August 1959	Monthly average 1959
<b>Asia--Continued</b>				
North Korea.....	...	...	...	(*)
Republic of Korea.....	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3
Hong Kong <sup>b</sup> .....	13.4	11.6	7.9	8.3
Taiwan (Formosa).....	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.2
Japan.....	109.9	96.4	88.4	85.7
Nansei and Nanpo Islands, n.e.c.....	0.3	0.3	(*)	0.1
<b>Australia and Oceania.....</b>	<b>28.2</b>	<b>31.7</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>28.1</b>
Australia <sup>b</sup> .....	16.7	18.7	17.2	16.4
New Guinea <sup>b</sup> .....	(*)	0.1	(*)	(*)
New Zealand <sup>b</sup> .....	11.0	12.7	15.0	11.3
British Western Pacific Islands <sup>b</sup> .....	0.5	0.1	(*)	0.1
French Pacific Islands.....	(*)	(*)	0.1	0.1
Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.....	(*)	(*)	0.6	0.2
<b>Africa.....</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>49.2</b>
Morocco.....	0.5	1.2	0.2	0.9
Algeria.....	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1
Tunisia.....	0.1	0.1	(*)	0.2
Libya <sup>b</sup> .....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
United Arab Republic (Egypt Region).....	1.7	6.0	0.4	1.4
Sudan.....	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.5
Canary Islands.....	(*)	(*)	...	(*)
Spanish Africa, n.e.c.....	...	...	...	(*)
Cameroun.....	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.8
Western Equatorial Africa <sup>3</sup> .....	(*)	0.1	0.3	0.3
Western Africa, n.e.c. <sup>4</sup> .....	0.8	1.6	1.1	2.1
Ghana <sup>b</sup> .....	2.9	6.4	3.7	5.3
Nigeria <sup>b</sup> .....	4.3	3.6	2.2	2.7
British West Africa, n.e.c. <sup>b</sup> .....	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.3
Madeira Islands.....	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Angola.....	0.8	1.3	1.0	2.6
Western Portuguese Africa, n.e.c.....	(*)	0.2	0.2	0.2
Liberia.....	2.8	3.7	3.4	3.5
Republic of the Congo; and Ruanda-Urundi <sup>5</sup> .....	7.6	5.9	12.6	8.9
Somali Republic <sup>6</sup> .....	0.2	(*)	0.2	0.1
Ethiopia (Abyssinia).....	2.9	0.8	0.8	1.3
French Somaliland.....	(*)	0.1	(*)	(*)
Seychelles and Dependencies <sup>b</sup> .....	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Mauritius and Dependencies <sup>b</sup> .....	...	...	(*)	(*)
British East Africa <sup>b</sup> .....	2.7	3.0	3.2	3.4
Mozambique.....	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.3
Malagasy Republic <sup>7</sup> .....	0.8	1.3	1.0	1.0
Union of South Africa <sup>b</sup> .....	8.0	5.6	5.9	9.9
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland <sup>b</sup> .....	1.4	1.3	2.1	3.1

<sup>a</sup>Latin American Republics. <sup>b</sup>Sterling area countries. <sup>c</sup>Western Europe. <sup>d</sup>O.E.C. (Organization for European Economic Co-operation) countries. \*Indicates less than \$50,000. <sup>1</sup>For definitions of countries as used in this report, refer to current edition of Schedule C, Classification of Country Designations Used in Compiling the United States Foreign Trade Statistics. <sup>2</sup>Figures shown include imports from the dependencies of Western Europe for which a separate over-all total was presented in previous issues. Separate data for the individual dependencies are presented in this table. <sup>3</sup>Country designation established effective July 1960. Formerly French Equatorial Africa. <sup>4</sup>Country designation established effective July 1960. Formerly French West Africa and Republic of Togo. <sup>5</sup>Country designation established effective July 1960. Formerly Belgian Congo. <sup>6</sup>Country designation established effective July 1960. Includes areas formerly known as "Somaliland" and "British Somaliland." The data shown for periods prior to July 1960 reflect combined totals on United States export trade with Somaliland and British Somaliland. <sup>7</sup>Country designation established effective July 1960. Formerly Madagascar.